



**ADVOCACY WORKING GROUP**  
**MARKET STUDIES PROJECT**

**MARKET STUDIES INFORMATION STORE**

**JURISDICTION:**

**Czech Republic – Office For The Protection Of Competition**

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## Information Store

### Czech Republic - Office for the Protection of Competition

<b>Sector:</b>	<b>Fuel</b>	<b>Range of Possible Outcomes</b>											
<b>Market:</b>	<b>Retail petrol and motor fuel market of The Czech Republic</b>												
<b>End Date:</b>		<b>Competition</b> <b>Consumer Enforcement</b> <b>Consumer Education</b> <b>Business Education</b> <b>Voluntary Business Compliance</b> <b>Voluntary Business Action</b> <b>Recommendations to Government for Changes in the Law</b> <b>Recommendations to Government to Change Market Structure</b> <b>Recommendations for Changes to Government Policy</b> <b>Referral to Third Parties</b> <b>No Problems Found</b>											
<b>Duration:</b>	Beginning of inquiry 2013 - (unclosed), data from 01/01/2008												
<b>Source of idea for study:</b>	Important market; inspiration especially in Germany and Austria												
<b>Outcome (tick relevant columns):</b>		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
<b>Reason for study (what were the problems)?</b>	Sensitive market for consumers; continuous monitoring of the price behaviour of petrol stations; special software for geographical analysis of dataset was developed, internal price-monitoring tool												
<b>Link to report:</b>	No official report on the market study has been finalized yet. However for further information please see the link of the presentation of the study: <a href="http://www.uohs.cz/en/information-centre/conferences-and-workshops/past-events/st-martin-conference-2013/introduction-of-speakers-and-their-presentations.html">http://www.uohs.cz/en/information-centre/conferences-and-workshops/past-events/st-martin-conference-2013/introduction-of-speakers-and-their-presentations.html</a>												

<b>Sector:</b>	<b>Groceries (Food And Drink)</b>	<b>Range of Possible Outcomes</b>										
<b>Market:</b>	<b>Packed Mineral Waters</b>											
<b>End Date:</b>	October 2009	<b>Competition Enforcement</b> <b>Consumer Enforcement</b> <b>Consumer Education</b> <b>Business Education</b> <b>Voluntary Business Compliance</b> <b>Voluntary Business Action</b> <b>Recommendations to Government for Changes in the Law</b> <b>Recommendations to Government to Change Market Structure</b> <b>Recommendations for Changes to Government Policy</b> <b>Referral to Third Parties</b> <b>No Problems Found</b>										
<b>Duration:</b>	6 months											
<b>Source of idea for study:</b>	Own initiative											
<b>Outcome (tick relevant columns):</b>		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Reason for study (what were the problems)?</b>	Market structure indicated that mergers between some undertakings and the recent changes in the market structure influenced the competition environment.											
<b>No Link to report</b>												

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<b>Sector:</b>	<b>Groceries (Food And Drink)</b>											
<b>Market:</b>	<b>Soft Drinks</b>	<b>Range of Possible Outcomes</b>										
<b>End Date:</b>	February 2009	<b>Competition Enforcement</b> <b>Consumer Enforcement</b> <b>Consumer Education</b> <b>Business Education</b> <b>Voluntary Business Compliance</b> <b>Voluntary Business Action</b> <b>Recommendations to Government for Changes in the Law</b> <b>Recommendations to Government to Change Market Structure</b> <b>Recommendations for Changes to Government Policy</b> <b>Referral to Third Parties</b> <b>No Problems Found</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Duration:</b>	7 months											
<b>Source of idea for study:</b>	Other undertakings and competitors, customers											
<b>Outcome (tick relevant columns):</b>												
<b>Reason for study (what were the problems)?</b>												
<b>No Link to report:</b>												

<b>Sector:</b>	<b>Car Retailing And Repairs</b>											
<b>Market:</b>	<b>Distribution and repairs of Motor vehicles</b>	<b>Range of Possible Outcomes</b>										
<b>End Date:</b>	February 2008	<b>Competition Enforcement</b> <b>Consumer Enforcement</b> <b>Consumer Education</b> <b>Business Education</b> <b>Voluntary Business Compliance</b> <b>Voluntary Business Action</b> <b>Recommendations to Government for Changes in the Law</b> <b>Recommendations to Government to Change Market Structure</b> <b>Recommendations for Changes to Government Policy</b> <b>Referral to Third Parties</b> <b>No Problems Found</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Duration:</b>	20 months											
<b>Source of idea for study:</b>	Consumers, governmental bodies, own initiative											
<b>Outcome (tick relevant columns):</b>												
<b>Reason for study (what were the problems)?</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Relatively high prices</li> <li>• Suspicion of RPM</li> <li>• Insight into the characteristics of services and the circumstances in which the motor vehicles were sold.</li> </ul>											
<b>No Link to report:</b>												

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<b>Sector:</b>	<b>Car Retailing And Repairs</b>										
<b>Market:</b>	<b>Car Retailing and after sales market</b>	<b>Range of Possible Outcomes</b>									
<b>End Date:</b>	December 2007	<b>Competition Enforcement</b> <b>Consumer Enforcement</b> <b>Consumer Education</b> <b>Business Education</b> <b>Voluntary Business Compliance</b> <b>Voluntary Business Action</b> <b>Recommendations to Government for Changes in the Law</b> <b>Recommendations to Government to Change Market Structure</b> <b>Recommendations for Changes to Government Policy</b> <b>Referral to Third Parties</b> <b>No Problems Found</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Duration:</b>	13 months										
<b>Source of idea for study:</b>											
<b>Outcome (tick relevant columns):</b>											
<b>Reason for study (what were the problems)?</b>	Complaints raised by market participants concerning operation of regulation (EC) No. 1400/2002 concerning motor vehicle distribution and servicing.										
<b>Link to report:</b>	<a href="http://www.compet.cz/fileadmin/user_upload/Sekce_HS/Distribution_and_repairs_of_motor_vehicles.pdf">http://www.compet.cz/fileadmin/user_upload/Sekce HS/Distribution and repairs of motor vehicles.pdf</a>										

<b>Sector:</b>	<b>Groceries (Food And Drink)</b>										
<b>Market:</b>	<b>On-trade Beer Distribution</b>	<b>Range of Possible Outcomes</b>									
<b>End Date:</b>	March 2007	<b>Competition Enforcement</b> <b>Consumer Enforcement</b> <b>Consumer Education</b> <b>Business Education</b> <b>Voluntary Business Compliance</b> <b>Voluntary Business Action</b> <b>Recommendations to Government for Changes in the Law</b> <b>Recommendations to Government to Change Market Structure</b> <b>Recommendations for Changes to Government Policy</b> <b>Referral to Third Parties</b> <b>No Problems Found</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Duration:</b>	8 months										
<b>Source of idea for study:</b>	Complaints of Brewery										
<b>Outcome (tick relevant columns):</b>											
<b>Reason for study (what were the problems)?</b>	Exclusive arrangements between pubs and breweries. Due to obligation of high minimal purchase of beer many pubs can not offer beer from other breweries to their customers.										
<b>No Link to report</b>											

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<b>Sector:</b>	<b>Groceries (Food And Drink)</b>											
<b>Market:</b>	<b>Beer Distribution</b>	<b>Range of Possible Outcomes</b>										
<b>End Date:</b>	September 2006	<b>Competition Enforcement</b> <b>Consumer Enforcement</b> <b>Consumer Education</b> <b>Business Education</b> <b>Voluntary Business Compliance</b> <b>Voluntary Business Action</b> <b>Recommendations to Government for Changes in the Law</b> <b>Recommendations to Government to Change Market Structure</b> <b>Recommendations for Changes to Government Policy</b> <b>Referral to Third Parties</b> <b>No Problems Found</b>										
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<b>Source of idea for study:</b>	Complaints of customers, information from operators of restaurants, own initiative											
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<b>Reason for study (what were the problems)?</b>	<p>Breweries bound its customers to purchase minimum amounts, suspicion of price-fixing.</p> <p>The Office has been tackling the market continually since the second half of the 1990s.</p>											
<b>No Link to report:</b>												